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Security Council

10:00 — 7530th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The question concerning Haiti

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (S/2015/667)

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

First Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 2nd meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 88 to 105): *item 88* (A/70/139 and A/70/139/Add.1); *item 89* (A/70/29); *item 90*; *item 91*; *item 92* (A/70/174, A/70/172 and A/70/172/Add.1); *item 93* (A/70/153 (Part I) and A/70/153 (Part I)/Add.1); *item 94*; *item 95*; *item 96*; *item 97* (A/70/168, A/70/168/Add.1, A/70/81, A/70/181, A/70/163, A/70/163/Add.1, A/70/164, A/70/164/Add.1, A/70/155, A/70/117, A/70/183, A/70/157, A/70/169, A/70/169/Add.1, A/70/170, A/70/170/Add.1, A/70/182 and A/70/182/Add.1); *item 98* (A/70/116, A/70/138, A/70/114 and A/70/165); *item 99* (A/70/177, A/70/186, A/70/27 and A/70/42); *item 100* (A/70/153 (Part II) (to be

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issued)); *item 101*; *item 102* (A/70/160 and A/70/160/Add.1); *item 103* (A/70/171 and A/70/159); *item 104*; and *item 105*

15:00 to 17:30 Informal meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

(A/C.1/70/CRP.2)

[Other documents: Organization of work (A/C.1/70/1, A/C.1/70/INF/1, A/C.1/70/INF/4, A/C.1/70/CRP.1 and A/C.1/70/CRP.2).

The list of speakers for the general debate *is open until Friday, 9 October 2015*, at 18:00. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit. The list of speakers for the thematic discussions will open on Monday, 12 October and close on Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 18:00. The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

The names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058), by *Wednesday, 14 October at 18:00*. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales, or form A/INF/70/2, will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; Room S-3057). Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Website (*click here*).

For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org). An archived video of a 12-minute technical briefing on QuickFirst, presented by the Secretary of the Committee after the 2nd meeting of the sixty-eighth session, on 4 October 2013, is available by *clicking here*, from 41 minutes 10 seconds to 52 minutes 36 seconds. Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the First Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart1@un.org.

The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only when read out by the delegation.]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

15:00 to 18:00 2nd meeting [webcast] Conference Room 4

1. Agenda items 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63

General debate on all decolonization items: *item 59* (A/70/23, chapters VII and XIII, and A/70/67); *item 60* (A/70/23 chapters, V and XIII); *item 61* (A/70/23, chapters VI and XIII, and A/70/64); *item 62* (A/70/66 and A/70/66/Add.1) and *item 63* (A/70/23, chapters VIII, IX, X, XI and XIII, A/70/201 and A/70/73 and A/70/73/Add.1)

Statements by the Chair and Rapporteur of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

General debate

2. Requests for hearings (A/C.4/70/2, A/C.4/70/3, A/C.4/70/4, A/C.4/70/5, A/C.4/70/6 and A/C.4/70/7)

[Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) at the seventieth session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart4@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) PaperSmart portal *(click here)* only after delivery by delegations. Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Delegates may also follow the open formal meetings of the Committee via Live webcast on the United Nations Web TV website (*click here*). The direct link to the archived videos can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Second Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 4th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

General debate (*rolling list*)

Ukraine

Malaysia

Singapore

Senegal

Nigeria

New Zealand

Ethiopia

Sudan

Australia

Guyana

Dominican Republic

Libya

Philippines

China
Kenya
Argentina
Cuba
Mongolia
Israel
Paraguay
Botswana
Japan
Canada
Viet Nam
Yemen
India
Thailand
Cameroon
Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Chile
Honduras
Guinea
Afghanistan
Costa Rica
United Arab Emirates
Rwanda
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
United Republic of Tanzania
Nepal
Zimbabwe
Jordan
Serbia
Montenegro
Kuwait
Holy See
State of Palestine
International Renewable Energy Agency
Food and Agriculture Organization

15:00 to 18:00 5th meeting [webcast] Conference Room 2

Continuation of the general debate (*see rolling list above*)

[The programme of work and status of documentation, including background information and side events for the session are available on the website of the Second Committee (*click here*).

The lists of speakers for the general debate (*today, 8,* and *tomorrow,* 9 October 2015) and general discussion on individual agenda items of the Second Committee *are open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)).

Deadline for inscription to the list of speakers for the general debate is *today,* 8 October 2015, at *18:00*. Deadline for inscription to the lists of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items is *18:00* of the day before the consideration of the item.

Pursuant to General Assembly decision 65/530 on improving the working methods of the Second Committee, delegations are reminded that the time limits of *seven minutes* for individual Member States and *10 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate, and the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion on individual agenda items will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are available during the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The name of the mission, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Please note that PDF format is preferred. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Acting Secretary of the Second Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Terri Olvida (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8429).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Second Committee matters should be sent, *as soon as possible but no later than 17:00* of the day before the meeting, to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org).]

Third Committee

10:00 to 13:00 5th meeting [webcast] Conference Room 1

15:00 to 18:00 6th meeting [webcast] Conference Room 1

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice (A/70/90–E/2015/81, A/70/93, A/70/99, A/70/94, A/70/121 and A/70/407) [item 106]

2. International drug control (A/70/87–E/2015/79 and A/70/98) [item 107]

General discussion

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on each item of the Third Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail slthirdcommittee@un.org). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail lpthirdcommittee@un.org; Room S-1286)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the seventieth session, is available by *clicking here*. All delegations that have not yet done so are kindly requested to transmit to the secretariat of the Third Committee, the completed form listing the duly accredited diplomats of their

mission wishing to use the eSponsorship platform and QuickPlace. The form should be e-mailed to thirdcommittee@un.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for Third Committee QuickPlace and the eSponsorship platform, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail thirdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via PaperSmart is available. Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) at least one hour in advance of expected delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.]

Fifth Committee

10:00 — 1st meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

1. Organization of work (A/C.5/70/1 and A/C.5/70/L.1)

   General discussion

2. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/70/11 and A/70/69) [item 138]

   Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of United Nations peacekeeping operations (A/70/331) [item 147]

   Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1] to 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 138 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/70/11 (Chapter V, Application of Article 19 of the Charter)))

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 3

Informal briefings:

Overview of management issues (by Mr. Yukio Takasu, Under-Secretary-General for Management); *Strategic Heritage Plan (SHP), United Nations Office at Geneva* (by Mr. Yukio Takasu, Under-Secretary-General for Management; Mr. Stephen Cutts, Assistant Secretary-General, Central Support Services; and Mr. Clemens Adams, Director of Administration, United Nations Office at Geneva); and *United Nations Headquarters Long-Term Accommodation (LTA) needs* (by Mr. Yukio Takasu, Under-Secretary-General for Management; and Mr. Stephen Cutts, Assistant Secretary-General, Central Support Services)

[Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, in writing, Ms. Ilene McGrade (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org). In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy of their statement to the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org), prior to the start of the meeting. Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the provisional draft programme of work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is available by *clicking here*.]

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[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 1st meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

10:00 to 13:00	1st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	1. Contingency fund	
	2. Executive meeting	

Security Council

Military Staff Committee

11:00	1832nd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

15:00 to 18:00	300th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing of the UN-Women Executive Board on the Flagship Programming Initiatives *today*, 8 October 2015, from 10:00 to 12:30, in Conference Room 8. [webcast]

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

Thursday, 8 October 2015

First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects" (under agenda item 97 (p)) (convened by the delegations of Colombia, Japan and South Africa)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room A.

Third Committee

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" (under agenda item 72 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

From 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6.

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the United States)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C.

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

African Group (on Third Committee matters)

13:15 to 14:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room E

International Criminal Court: Working Group on Amendments (States Parties)

15:00 to 16:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group (Procedure for the nomination and election of judges)

16:30 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Other activities

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Thursday, 8 October 2015

Briefing on the "International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development 2017" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Indonesia, Morocco and Samoa)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room B.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Abdellah Larhmaid, Permanent Mission of Morocco (e-mail larhmaid@yahoo.com; tel. 1 (646) 683-5782).]

Briefing on "Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development: Advocacy for Implementation and Global Partnership" (organized by the NGO Relations Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

From 11:00 to 12:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Informal briefing on the World Humanitarian Summit (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Denmark, Japan and Turkey, the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Taro Tsutsumi, Permanent Mission of Japan (e-mail taro.tsutsumi@mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1508).]

Panel discussion on "The Impact of Autism on Health and Well-being" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea and the NGO Committee on Mental Health)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 11.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Janice Yoon, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail jyoon715@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 439-4059).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Thursday, 8 October 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Monday, 12 October 2015, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider sub-item (i) of agenda item 114 (Appointment of the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/388)), and agenda item 122 (Strengthening of the United Nations) (report of the Secretary-General (A/70/357) and document A/70/95). Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Tuesday, 13 October 2015, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider agenda item 76 (Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/218)); agenda item 77 (Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/226)) and agenda item 128 (International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/225)). Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Meriem Heddache, e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Tuesday, 13 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Security Council Chamber in connection with the agenda item "Women and peace and security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406), starting *today*, 8 October 2015. Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

The agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was adopted on 18 September 2015 (document A/70/251), see document A/70/252 for allocation of items.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/70/100.

The programme of the work and the schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its seventieth session were issued on 7 October 2015 in document A/INF/70/3.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; with a copy to heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

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Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council.

Specifically, the General Assembly will conduct the elections of five non-permanent members of the Security Council for the term 2016-2017 and of 18 members of the Economic and Social Council for the term 2016-2018, during the main part of the session, in the *fall of 2015*. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council and for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place during the resumed part of the session, in the *spring of 2016*.

Subsequently, these elections will be conducted once during each session of the General Assembly, in the spring, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution. A memorandum, dated 22 October 2014, was sent by the Director, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, to the Chairs of the regional groups for that month.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Friday, 9 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting and at 15:00, in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 12 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The provisional programme of work of the Sixth Committee for the seventieth session (General Assembly decision 69/529 of 10 December 2014), as well as background information on the Sixth Committee and links to official documentation to be considered at the seventieth session, is available on the Committee's website (*click here*).

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). *Please note* that in the first week, the Committee will deal with agenda item 108 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism), agenda item 85 (Rule of law at the national and international levels) and agenda item 80 (Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission).

Delegations are invited to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Representatives of member States and observer States may register for access to the Unite Connections community of the Sixth Committee for the seventieth session, through the online form available on the website of the Sixth Committee.

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Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures" (under agenda item 88 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and Romania)

Friday, 9 October 2015, at 13:15, in Conference Room 4.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction" (under agenda item 104) (convened by the delegation of Hungary)

Monday, 12 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects" (under agenda item 101) (convened by the delegation of Poland)

Tuesday, 13 October 2015, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee
(Fourth Committee)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Assistance in Mine Action" (under agenda item 51) (convened by the delegation of Poland)

Friday, 9 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

Third Committee

Meeting of co-sponsors on draft resolution entitled "Cooperatives in Social Development" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)

Friday, 9 October 2015, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room C.

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Integrating volunteering into peace and development: the plan of action for the next decade and beyond" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegations of Brazil and Japan)

Friday, 9 October 2015, from 16:30 to 18:00, in Conference Room C.

Forthcoming other meetings

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African Group (on Third Committee matters)

Tuesday, 13 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 9; and

Thursday, 15 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

JUSCANZ Group (on Second Committee and related matters)

Wednesday, 14 October 2015, from 09:00 to 10:00, in Conference Room 9.

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing on "The Outcome of the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and a Roadmap to 2020" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Qatar and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Friday, 9 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Anne Beckmann, UNODC (e-mail beckmann@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5631).]

High-level event on "Role of African Regional and Sub-regional Organizations in Achieving Regional Integration: the Continental Free Trade Area within the context of the First 10-Year Implementation Plan of Agenda 2063" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union)

Monday, 12 October 2015, from 09:30 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here*.]

Annual high-level briefing on "Silencing the Guns in Africa: the Nexus between Peace, Security" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Africa's Regional Economic Communities)

Monday, 12 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions and United Nations system entities are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here*.]

Panel discussion on "Protecting children from bullying" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Japan and Mexico, and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children (SRSG-VAC))

Tuesday, 13 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Mánus de Barra, SRSG-VAC (e-mail debarra@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-6130).]

Briefing on "Agenda 2063 and its First 10-year Implementation Plan and the United Nations-African Union Partnership on Africa's Integration and Development Agenda (PAIDA)" (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA))

Tuesday, 13 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8.

[Members of the Inter-Departmental Task Force on African Affairs are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here*.]

Briefing on "Building a Path Forward: Update on the International Partnership for Nuclear Disarmament Verification" (co-organized by the United States Mission and the Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI) (First Committee experts))

Wednesday, 14 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. John Bravaco, United States Mission (e-mail bravacjo@state.gov; tel. 1 (212) 415-4116).]

High-level event on "African Continental Framework on Youth Development: Mainstream into Agenda 2063" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD))

Wednesday, 14 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here*.]

Annual briefing on two reports of the Secretary-General entitled *Progress on the Implementation of NEPAD*; and *Causes of Conflict and Promotion of Durable Peace and Sustainable Development in Africa* (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union)

Thursday, 15 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions and the United Nations system entities are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here*.]

Interactive dialogue on "Ensuring the Empowerment of Rural Women through the Sustainable Development Goals" (on the occasion of the International Day of Rural Women) (co-organized by the he Permanent Missions of Canada, Mongolia and Norway, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the World Food Programme (WFP))

Thursday, 15 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Travis Renz, IFAD (e-mail t.renz@ifad.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3061); and Ms. Carla Kraft, UN-Women (e-mail carla.kraft@unwomen.org); or lon-registry@un.org.]

Meeting on "The Role of the United Nations Business Operations in a Post-2015 World" (co-organized by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) and the High-Level Committee on Management (HLCM))

Thursday, 15 October 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Luigi Demunnik, UNDG/DOCO (e-mail luigi.demunnik@undg.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-6981).]

Event on "Social Policies in the Dominican Republic" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic)

Friday, 16 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Luz Andujar, Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic (e-mail luzandujar@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 867-0833).]

High-level briefing on the "United States nuclear posture" (organized by the United States Mission (First Committee experts))

Friday, 16 October 2015, from 10:15 to 11:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. John Bravaco, United States Mission (e-mail bravacjo@state.gov; tel. 1 (212) 415-4116).]

Event on "Social Protection and Agriculture: Breaking the Cycle of Rural Poverty" (on the occasion of the World Food Day) (co-organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the World Food Program (WFP), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the International Labour Organization (ILO))

Friday, 16 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ruth-Anne Seburn, FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail lon-registry@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6036).]

Observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2015 (on the theme "Building a sustainable future: coming together to end poverty and discrimination" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Burkina Faso and France, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the International Movement ATD Fourth World and the NGO Committee for Social Development)

Friday, 16 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lisa Ainbinder, DESA (e-mail ainbinder@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4607); or *click here*.]

Event on "Building inclusive and peaceful societies through women's participation and leadership: Good practices from the field" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ireland and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

Friday, 16 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Roisin Burke, Permanent Mission of Ireland (e-mail roisin.rurke@dfa.ie); to register, please send an e-mail to arlene.lara@dfa.ie.]

Briefing on "From Space Debris to Space Governance: Space Security Index 2015" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada and Project Ploughshares)

Wednesday, 21 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Simon Collard-Wexler, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail simon.collard-wexler@international.gc.ca); or Ms. Anna Jaikaran, Project Ploughshares (e-mail ajaikaran@ploughshares.ca).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

Economic and Social Council Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific
Jeju Island, Republic of Korea (6-9 October 2015)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2014/252 of 17 November 2014, the Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific, will be held at the International Convention Center Jeju in Jeju Island, Republic of Korea, *until* Friday, 9 October 2015.

The provisional agenda is contained in document E/CONF.104/1*. In preparation of the Conference, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information available on the Website of the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*).

Representatives of Member States, as well as observers, who wish to attend the Conference, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Conference, Mr. Ziad Mahmassani (e-mail mahmassani@un.org@un.org), with a copy to the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail laaribi@un.org).

Delegations are advised that all conference documents, including country reports and technical papers, received before the opening of the Conference will be posted on the above Website. Questions of a technical or substantive nature can be addressed to Mr. Amor Laaribi, Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail laaribi@un.org).

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Eleventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva
(19-23 October 2015)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2015/214 of 9 June 2015, the eleventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will be held from Monday, 19, to Friday, 23 October 2015, at the *United Nations Office at* Geneva, Switzerland.

Background materials, including the provisional agenda and organization of work, are available on the Financing for Development Website *(click here)*.

For further information, please contact the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Michael Lennard (e-mail lennard@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5734).

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *October 2015*:

Introduction to United Nations Documents (English, French, Spanish)

Treaty Research (English)

United Nations Regular Budget Documentation (English)

General Assembly Documentation (English, French)

Security Council Documentation (English)

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Voting Information (English)

Introduction to Library Services (English)

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (http://www.un.org/depts/dhl).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available via the General Assembly website (*click here*).

2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, respectively, are now being accepted.

The Regional Course for Africa is scheduled to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 1, to Friday, 26 February 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 16 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 April 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 30 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 21 November, to Friday, 16 December 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations and non-member States, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 13 November 2015*.

The three Regional Courses will be conducted *in English* in 2016. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (RCIL-Africa (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org); RCIL-LAAC (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org); and RCIL-Asia-Pacific (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org)).

2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 27 June to 5 August 2016, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 1 December 2015*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in *French* in 2016. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 7 October 2015

Security Council

[archived video]

7529th meeting

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Peace, Security and Cooperation Framework for the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Region (S/2015/735)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (S/2015/741)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Martin Kobler, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Mr. Said Djinnit, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region of Africa, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Kobler and Mr. Djinnit.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

First Committee

[archived video]

1st meeting

The Chair, His Excellency Karel Van Oosterom (Netherlands), made a statement.

Election of Officers

The Committee elected by acclamation Mr. Abiodun Richards Adejola (Nigeria) as Vice-Chair.

Programme of work

The Chair made a statement.

The Committee adopted the programme of work and timetable, as contained in document A/C.1/70/CRP.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Ecuador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States), Canada, Austria, France, Nigeria and the United States.

The Chair made a statement.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

[archived video]

1st meeting

The Chair, His Excellency Brian Bowler (Malawi), made a statement.

Organization of work

The Committee had before it a letter from the President of the General Assembly concerning the agenda items allocated to it (A/C.4/70/1) and a note by the Chair (A/C.4/70/L.1) containing suggestions on the organization of work.

The Committee approved its programme of work, as contained in document A/C.4/70/L.1.

The Chair drew members' attention to document A/C.4/70/INF/1, which contained the list of documents before the Committee.

The Committee decided to establish a Working Group of the Whole, chaired by the delegation of Algeria, to consider all proposals under agenda item 53 (International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space), including A/C.4/70/L.2.

At the suggestion of the Chair (A/C.4/70/L.1), the Committee decided to hold a general debate on decolonization, under agenda items 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63, and to close the list of speakers on those items on Friday, 9 October 2015, at 18:00.

The Committee also decided that Friday, 9 October, at 18:00 would be the deadline for submission of all draft proposals on decolonization items (items 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63).

Request for hearings

The Chair drew the Committee's attention to aide-mémoire 01/15, containing 102 requests for hearing relating to the questions of Falkland Islands (Malvinas), French Polynesia, Gibraltar, Guam, New Caledonia and Western Sahara under agenda item 63. The Committee decided to circulate the requests for hearing as Committee documents.

The Chair also informed the Committee of the communications received from the Chief Minister of Gibraltar, from the President of the Government of New Caledonia and from the Governor of Guam, on their desire to address or have their representative address the Committee under agenda item 63.

Second Committee

[archived video]

2nd meeting

The Chair of the Committee, His Excellency Andrej Logar (Slovenia), opened the meeting and made a statement.

The Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs made a statement.

Keynote address and interactive discussion

The keynote speaker, Mr. Abhijit Banerjee, Ford Foundation International Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, delivered his keynote address and responded to comments made and questions posed by the representatives of Liberia, Japan, Peru and Ethiopia.

General debate

The Committee began its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Sierra Leone (on behalf of the African States), Indonesia (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), Bangladesh (on behalf of the Group of Least Developed Countries), Belize (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Maldives (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States), Zambia (on behalf of Group of Landlocked Developing Countries), the European Union (on behalf of its member States), Egypt, Nicaragua, Belarus and Peru.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Chair (Slovenia).

3rd meeting

A statement was made by the Chair (Slovenia).

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), Morocco, Colombia, Mexico, Iraq, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Syrian Arab Republic, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation, Lebanon, Qatar, Sri Lanka, Turkey, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Kazakhstan, the Republic of Korea, Brazil, Norway, Myanmar, Algeria, Uganda, Georgia, Maldives, Pakistan and the United States.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-Chair (Germany).

Third Committee

[archived video]

3rd meeting

Social development [item 28]

(a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

(b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family

(c) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing

The Committee continued its general discussion of item 28 and heard statements by the representatives of Belarus, Sweden, Honduras, Mongolia, Kyrgyzstan, Brazil, Nigeria, Georgia, the Philippines, Israel, the Dominican Republic, Bulgaria, Qatar, Niger, Kenya, Romania, Japan, India, Ecuador, Jordan, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Argentina, Ethiopia, South Africa, China, Nepal, Poland, Indonesia, Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam and Zimbabwe.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair (Canada) made a statement.

4th meeting

Social development [item 28]

(a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

(b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family

(c) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing

The Committee continued its general discussion of item 28 and heard statements by the representatives of Eritrea, Ukraine, Australia, Sri Lanka, the Maldives, Rwanda, the Sudan, the United Republic of Tanzania, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Bahrain, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Burkina Faso, El Salvador, Kuwait, Panama and Libya.

Statements were made by the observers of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and the Sovereign Military Order of Malta.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the Food and Agricultural Organization and the International Labour Organization.

Rights of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and Ukraine.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 28.

Organization of work

The Secretary made a statement.

The Vice-Chair (Georgia) also made a statement.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Tuesday, 6 October 2015

Economic and Social Council

Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific
Jeju Island, Republic of Korea (6-9 October 2015)

2nd meeting

The summary of the 2nd meeting of the Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2015/194).

Wednesday, 7 October 2015

Economic and Social Council

Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific
Jeju Island, Republic of Korea (6-9 October 2015)

3rd–4th meeting — The summary of the 3rd and 4th meetings of the Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2015/194).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure. New York, 19 December 2011

Accession: Denmark (7 October 2015)

Territorial exclusion with regard to Greenland and the Faroe Islands: Denmark (7 October 2015)

Arms Trade Treaty. New York, 2 April 2013

Accession: Central African Republic (7 October 2015)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2015* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Sierra Leone
His Excellency Vandi Chidi Minah

Asia-Pacific States:
Cambodia
His Excellency Ry Tuy

Eastern European States:
Slovakia
His Excellency František Ružička

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Kitts and Nevis
(To be confirmed)

Western European and other States:
Ireland
His Excellency David Donoghue

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Documents in conference rooms

Conference Officer Desks and/or Documents Counters are located in each of the following conference rooms in the Secretariat Building: Conference Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4, the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber, where documents for the meeting being held at that time may be obtained.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call to 1 (212) 963-5258.

Website of the Presidency

The website of the Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Unscheduled meetings

Information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling to 1 (212) 963-5258.

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; Room S-0220).

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Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp. All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

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These easy to use kiosks are located on the ground floor just after the First Avenue entrance security checkpoint and on the second floor next to the Café. DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to help-desk@un.org.

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/

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